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UNITED STATES SENATE SELECT COMMITTEE
TO STUDY GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS
WITH RESPECT TO INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIESRE: DOCUMENTS PERTAINING TO THE
"HUSTON PLAN," COINTELPRO, AND
OTHER PRACTICES AND PROGRAMS

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Reference is made to memorandum from captioned Committee dated May 14, 1975, and the appendices thereto, which contained requests for information from the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI).

Item 17, Part II, Appendix C, requested the Committee be provided all memoranda and other materials pertaining to the origin and implementation of all Cointelpro Programs including, but not limited to, the seven programs set out in the airtel from the FBI Director to SAC, Albany, dated April 28, 1971, entitled "Counter-intelligence Programs (Cointelpro), Internal Security - Racial Matters."

Enclosed are 23 documents which could be considered as originating or implementing documents for Cointelpros. These consist of nine Headquarters memoranda and 14 communications to field offices. Eleven of these documents are classified "Secret." Ten of the documents (three memoranda and seven communications to field offices) have previously been publicized through Freedom of Information Act actions, although the publicized documents contained excisions which have not been made in the attached documents.

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Documents Pertaining to the "Houston Plan,"
Cointelpro, and Other Practices and Programs

These documents may be described as follows:

I. CPUSA PROGRAM.

1. Memorandum from Mr. A. H. Belmont to Mr. L. V. Boardman, dated 8/28/56, captioned "Communist Party, USA - Counterintelligence Program," classified "Secret." (While the first two paragraphs of the above memorandum indicate prior action had been taken to foster factionalism, discredit leaders and cause confusion within the Communist Party, we are unable to locate any information in our files indicating that these were anything other than disruptive actions, believed to have been conducted on a very limited scale in conjunction with our continuing investigation of the Communist Party, and were not implemented under any formalized Cointelpro.)
2. Memorandum from Mr. A. H. Belmont to Mr. L. V. Boardman, dated 9/5/56, captioned "CP, USA, Counterintelligence Program," classified "Secret."
3. Letter to SAC, New York, dated 9/6/56, captioned "Communist Party, USA - Counterintelligence Program," classified "Secret."

II. SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY PROGRAM.

4. Letter to SAC, New York, dated 10/12/61, captioned "Socialist Workers Party, Disruption Program."

III. DISRUPTION OF HATE GROUPS PROGRAM.

5. Memorandum from Mr. F. J. Baumgardner to Mr. W. C. Sullivan, dated 8/27/64, captioned "Counterintelligence Program, Disruption of Hate Groups," classified "Secret."
6. Letter to SAC, Atlanta, dated 9/2/64, captioned "Counterintelligence Program, Disruption of Hate Groups."

IV. BLACK NATIONALIST - HATE GROUPS PROGRAM.

7. Letter to SAC, Albany, dated 8/25/67, captioned "Counterintelligence Program, Black Nationalist - Hate Groups."

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8. Memorandum from Mr. G. C. Moore to Mr. W. C. Sullivan, dated 2/29/68, captioned "Counterintelligence Program, Black Nationalist - Hate Groups."
9. Airtel to SAC, Albany, dated 3/4/68, captioned "Counterintelligence Program, Black Nationalist - Hate Groups."

V. DISRUPTION OF NEW LEFT PROGRAM.

10. Memorandum from Mr. C. D. Brennan to Mr. W. C. Sullivan, dated 5/9/68, captioned "Counterintelligence Program, Disruption of the New Left."
11. Letter to SAC, Albany, dated 5/10/68, captioned "Counterintelligence Program, Disruption of the New Left."

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12. Memorandum from Mr. F. J. Baumgardner to Mr. W. C. Sullivan, dated 7/14/64, captioned "Counterintelligence Program [redacted]" classified "Secret." (S)
13. Airtel to SACs, New York, Chicago, and Washington Field, dated 7/15/64, captioned "Cointelpro [redacted]" classified "Secret." (S)

VII. COUNTERINTELLIGENCE AND SPECIAL OPERATIONS.

14. Letter to SAC, San Francisco, dated 4/2/69, captioned "Counterintelligence and Special Operations."
15. Letter to SAC, San Francisco, dated 5/11/70, captioned "Counterintelligence and Special Operations."

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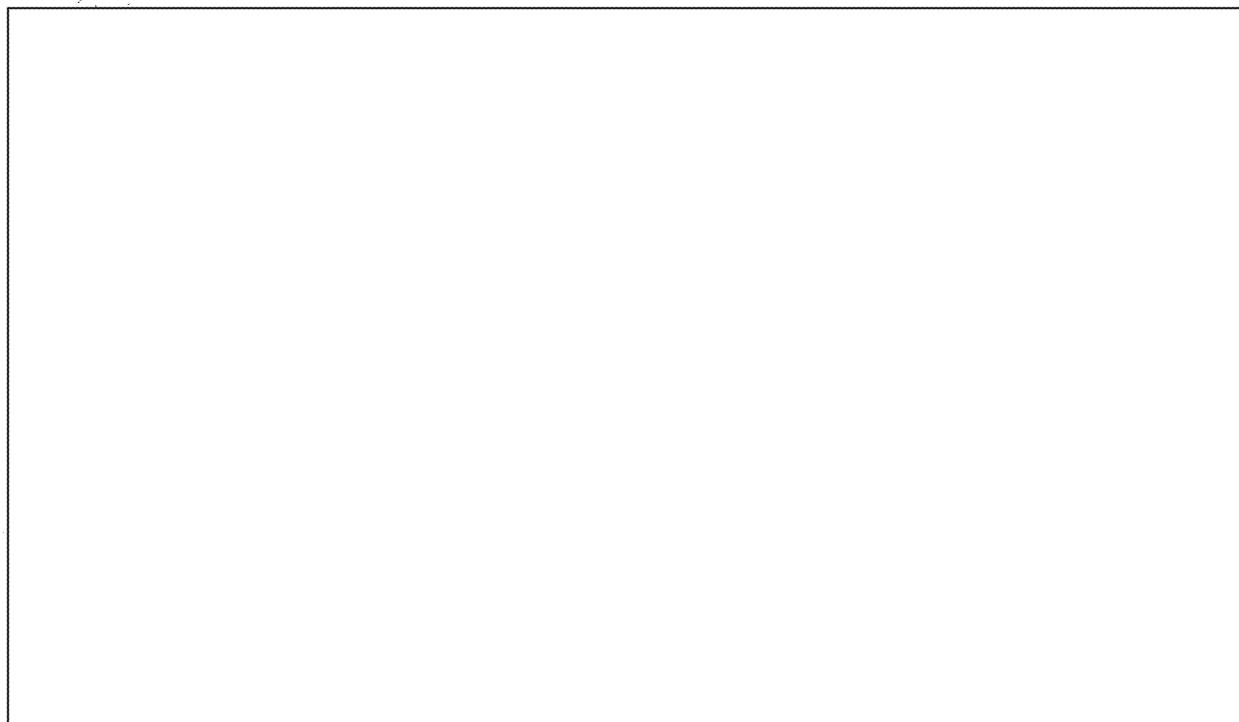
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**Documents Pertaining to the "Houston Plan,"
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(It is noted the above cannot be strictly defined as a Cointelpro-type program. The file was maintained for control purposes for use in encouraging a variety of intelligence and counter-intelligence activities primarily directed against foreign or foreign-influenced elements. The above two communications are indicative of operations considered in this file of a domestic character.)

VIII. MEXICAN PROGRAM (BORDER COVERAGE).

16. Letter to SAC, San Diego dated 1/9/61, captioned "Counter-intelligence - Border Coverage Program," classified "Secret."



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XI. GROUPS SEEKING INDEPENDENCE FOR PUERTO RICO PROGRAM.

21. Letter to SAC, San Juan, dated 9/13/60, captioned "Groups Seeking Independence for Puerto Rico (Counterintelligence Program)," classified "Secret."

XII. HOODWINK PROGRAM.

22. Memorandum from Mr. F. J. Baumgardner to Mr. W. C. Sullivan, dated 10/4/66, captioned "Hoodwink."

23. Letter to SAC, New York, dated 10/5/66, captioned "Hoodwink."

Administrative information has been excised from the above documents. Also, in three instances, references to sources have been excised. A sentence in the initiating document (memorandum dated 7/14/64) [redacted] has been excised (S) to delete reference to a sensitive counterintelligence operation with foreign ramifications. In the event the Committee desires, an oral briefing will be provided regarding the information excised.

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